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SELANGOR LAUNCHES STRATEGIC RAIL HUB AT INNOTRANS 2026; SEALS KEY PARTNERSHIPS WITH SIRIM, MMC ENGINEERING, PECCA LEATHER, AND XCEL ITECH

BERLIN, GERMANY, 22 SEPTEMBER 2026 — The Selangor State Government, through Invest Selangor Berhad, has officially launched the **Selangor Rail Industry Hub** at InnoTrans 2026 within the Malaysia Pavilion in Berlin. The launch was officiated by the Selangor State Executive Council for Investment, Trade and Mobility, YB Ng Sze Han, who leads the Selangor delegation to Berlin. The initiative positions Selangor as Southeast Asia's premier center for localized train assembly, system integration, and workforce development.

As Malaysia's rail heartland—home to the highest concentration of national rail assets and flagship projects like the **203 km Kita Selangor Rail Line**—Selangor established the Hub to address aging asset overhauls, strengthen supply chain resilience, and serve as an ASEAN regional gateway via its direct connection to Port Klang and major rail corridors.

Immediate Operational Launch & Key Partner Alliances

The **Selangor Rail Industry Hub** will be strategically located at **Taman Perindustrian Zurah, Rasa, Hulu Selangor**. Phase 1 of the Hub commences immediately across **36,000 sq. ft.** of built-up space at **SIRIM Berhad's** premises, providing direct technical validation and compliance under **Malaysia Railway Industry Standards (MRIS)**.

To accommodate scalable growth, Phase 2 will utilize a **19-acre land plot adjacent to SIRIM** for expanded assembly and testing operations, while Phase 3 establishes a **125-acre dedicated rail industrial park located approximately 2 kilometers from Phases 1 and 2** to cater to long-term industrial expansion and rising regional demand.

To mark the official launch, **SIRIM Berhad formally accepted Letters of Intent (LOI)** from three key industry anchors to operationalize core capabilities within the Hub:

- **MMC Engineering Berhad:** Establishing local train assembly and testing operations.
- **Pecca Leather (Pecca Aviation/Mobility):** Setting up a specialized training academy for rail seating and upholstery standards.

- **Xcel Itech Sdn Bhd:** Strategic collaboration with SIRIM Berhad in localisation, testing, validation and commercialisation of train simulator platforms and frameworks.

Core Pillars & Talent Framework

The Hub focuses on four operational activities: **Local Train Assembly & Testing, PoC & System Integration, Train Simulator Development,** and **Supply Chain Localisation Control.** Human capital development is fortified through the **Rail Teaching Factory framework** and the **Selangor Talent Action Plan for Rail Industry (STAPRI)**, delivering a certified, cross-system engineering pipeline.

Partnership Opportunities

Invest Selangor Berhad invites global rail OEMs, Tier-1 system integrators, technology providers, and supply chain partners to participate in this transformative ecosystem. Interested parties seeking site allocation, pilot collaboration, or strategic partnership opportunities within the Selangor Rail Industry Hub are encouraged to submit an official Expression of Interest (EOI) via email to info@investselangor.my.

YB Ng Sze Han, Selangor State Executive Council for Investment, Trade and Mobility, said:

“Selangor holds the highest concentration of rail assets in Malaysia, and as these mature assets reach critical operational milestones, we see an immense opportunity to strengthen our capabilities in asset lifecycle management, localised system overhauls and smart digital integration. The Selangor Rail Industry Hub is a strategic step to capture these opportunities and solidify Selangor’s position as a regional engineering anchor.”

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About Invest Selangor

Invest Selangor Berhad is the Selangor State Government’s investment promotion agency, facilitating business growth and investment opportunities in Malaysia’s most developed and competitive state. As a one-stop centre, it provides advisory services, market insights, and facilitation for local and international investors looking to establish or expand in Selangor—the gateway to ASEAN.

With a strategic location, world-class infrastructure, and a thriving business ecosystem, Selangor continues to attract high-value investments across diverse industries, reinforcing its position as Malaysia’s economic powerhouse. Since 1999, Invest Selangor has successfully facilitated over 7,069 manufacturing projects, contributing to the creation of 508,316 jobs and securing more than RM256.6 billion in investments.

Invest Selangor also drives the Selangor International Business Summit (SIBS) and the Selangor Aerospace Summit (SAS), key platforms connecting industry leaders, policymakers, and entrepreneurs across ASEAN and beyond. Through strategic initiatives, it remains committed to a resilient, sustainable, and innovative economy, reinforcing Selangor as the preferred destination for global investors.

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